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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Fehring *et al.* Confirmation No.: 7387  
Application No.: 09/660,948 Group No.: 1742  
Filed: September 13, 2000 Examiner: A. Wessman  
For: ENHANCED BIOCOMPATIBLE IMPLANTS AND ALLOYS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 8, 2003

## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three months to respond to the Office Action dated November 8, 2002.
2. Applicant is  a small entity;  other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$410.00	\$205.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$930.00	\$465.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$1,970.00	\$985.00

\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

- A check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed.  
 Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.  
 Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

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